

VETERANS AFFAIRS, IOWA DEPARTMENT OF[801]

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 35A.13, the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 2, “Petition for Rule Making,” Chapter 3, “Declaratory Rulings,” Chapter 4, “Agency Procedure for Rule Making,” Chapter 6, “Fair Information Practices,” Chapter 11, “Injured Veterans Grant Program,” Chapter 14, “Veterans Trust Fund,” Chapter 15, “Veterans Commemorative Property,” and Chapter 16, “Limited Residency Vietnam Conflict Veterans Bonus,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The purpose of these proposed amendments is to update, where applicable, the building number, address, telephone and fax numbers and Web address of the Department.

Any interested person may make written suggestions or comments on the proposed amendments on or before July 25, 2017. Such written materials should be directed to Executive Director, Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Camp Dodge, Bldg. #3465, 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131; by telephone (515)252-4698; or by fax (515)727-3713.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 17A.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend rule 801—2.1(17A) as follows:

801—2.1(17A) Petition for rule making.

In lieu of the words “(designate office)”, insert “the office of the executive director. This office is located at Camp Dodge, Building A6A 3465, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-~~4902~~ 1824”.

In lieu of the words “(agency name)”, insert “Iowa commission of veterans affairs”.

2.1(3) The executive director shall notify the chairperson of the commission that the petition has been filed.

ITEM 2. Amend rule 801—2.3(17A) as follows:

801—2.3(17A) Inquiries.

In lieu of the words “(designate official by full title and address)”, insert “the executive director at Camp Dodge, Building A6A 3465, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-~~4902~~ 1824. The telephone number is (515)~~242-5334~~ 252-4698”.

ITEM 3. Amend rule 801—3.1(17A) as follows:

801—3.1(17A) Petition for declaratory ruling.

In lieu of the words “(designate office)”, insert “the office of the executive director. This office is located at Camp Dodge, Building A6A 3465, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-~~4902~~ 1824”.

In lieu of the words “(agency name)”, insert “Iowa commission of veterans affairs”.

At the end of this rule, insert “The executive director shall notify the chairperson of the commission that the petition has been filed.”

ITEM 4. Amend rule 801—3.3(17A) as follows:

801—3.3(17A) Inquiries.

In lieu of the words “(designate official by full title and address)”, insert “the executive director at Camp Dodge, Building ~~A6A 3465, 7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa ~~50131-1902~~ 1824. The telephone number is (515)~~242-5331~~ 252-4698”.

ITEM 5. Amend subrule 4.5(1) as follows:

4.5(1) In lieu of the words “(identify office and address)”, insert “the office of the executive director. This office is located in Building ~~A6A 3465~~ at Camp Dodge, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa ~~50131-1902~~ 1824”.

ITEM 6. Amend subrule 4.6(3) as follows:

4.6(3) In lieu of the words “(designate office)”, insert “the office of the executive director. This office is located in Building ~~A6A 3465~~ at Camp Dodge, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa ~~50131-1902~~ 1824”.

ITEM 7. Amend rule 801—4.11(17A) as follows:

801—4.11(17A) Concise statement of reasons.

4.11(1) General.

In lieu of the words “(specify office and address)”, insert “the office of the executive director. This office is located in Building ~~A6A 3465~~ at Camp Dodge, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa ~~50131-1902~~ 1824”.

ITEM 8. Amend subrule 6.3(1) as follows:

6.3(1) Location of record. A request for access to a record pertaining to the Iowa Veterans Home should be addressed to the Commandant, Iowa Veterans Home, 1301 Summit, Marshalltown, Iowa 50158-5485. For all other commission records, or if the location of the record is unknown by the requester, the request for access to a record shall be directed to the Executive Director, Camp Dodge, ~~7700 NW Beaver Drive~~ 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa ~~50131-1902~~ 1824. If the request for access to a record is misdirected, agency personnel will promptly forward the request to the appropriate person within the agency.

ITEM 9. Amend paragraph **11.4(1)“b”** as follows:

b. A veteran filing for the grant under retroactive eligibility must submit an injured veteran grant application form along with supporting documents. Supporting documents needed to verify eligibility shall include copies of the following:

- (1) Military ID card;
- (2) DD214 (if the veteran has been discharged) or military orders to document service in a combat zone;
- (3) Medical records or military orders to document date of medical evacuation and periods of continued medical treatment or rehabilitation; and
- (4) Any document to establish Iowa residency at the time of injury, such as Iowa income tax forms, or to establish that the veteran is or was a member of a national guard unit located in this state prior to mobilization and was injured while serving in that national guard unit and is not eligible to receive a similar grant from another state for that injury.

A veteran may receive assistance in the application process by contacting the department office at (515)~~242-5331~~ 252-4698 or (800)838-4692 or by fax (515)~~242-5659~~ 727-3713.

ITEM 10. Amend rule 801—14.5(35A), introductory paragraph, as follows:

801—14.5(35A) Application procedure. Applications for benefits from the veterans trust fund may be obtained at any county veterans affairs office. The county director of veterans affairs shall date-stamp the application and submit it to the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Camp Dodge, Bldg. ~~A6A 3465~~, 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-1824.

ITEM 11. Amend subrule 15.3(2) as follows:

15.3(2) *Notification forms.* Notification forms may be obtained from the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Camp Dodge, Bldg. ~~A6A~~ 3465, 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-1824, or from the department's Web site at ~~www.iowava.org~~ https://va.iowa.gov.

ITEM 12. Amend subrule 16.7(4) as follows:

16.7(4) *Office address.* Persons may contact the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, Camp Dodge, Bldg. ~~A6A~~ 3465, 7105 NW 70th Avenue, Johnston, Iowa 50131-1824; telephone (515)~~242-5331~~ 252-4698 or 1-800-838-4692; fax (515)~~242-5659~~ 727-3713. The department's Web address is ~~www.iowava.org~~ https://va.iowa.gov.